

Cullinane Offers Data, No Names

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D.C. Police Chief Maurice J. Cullinane says he will give the District Council the questionnaires on police political spying that have been subpoenaed, but that he intends to fight to keep secret the names of the men who did the spying.

Cullinane revealed his intentions yesterday about the same time two police officers were being served with District Council subpoenas ordering them to appear at public hearings July 24 and 25 and to bring with them all records of their participation in police snooping on anti-war and black activists since 1967.

The two officers were among seven scheduled to be served with subpoenas, which were authorized Thursday by the council's Public Safety Committee. In addition, the committee authorized a subpoena to obtain questionnaires filled out by 46 officers who reportedly engaged in political surveillance.

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CULLINANE said through a spokesman that he had no problem with making the files available to the committee as long as the names of the officers were not included.

"His concern lies not with the subject matter, but rather he wants to protect the officers who filled out those questionnaires freely and without any type of legal representation," the spokesman said.

Mrs. Willie J. Hardy, Ward 7, the committee chairman, refused comment on whether she will insist on getting both the files and the names of the officers.

The questionnaires were subpoenaed after Cullinane allowed committee staff members to look at the files but refused to make copies available.

Meanwhile, a committee staff member served subpoenas on John F. Harding and Dixie Gildon, who was the city's first female sergeant.

STAFF MEMBER Barney Shapiro met Gildon after she parked her blue station wagon in the 1st Police District headquarters, 415 4th St. SW, en route to a 5:30 p.m. roll call.

"Is this my subpoena?" she asked.

Shapiro answered affirmatively and she said, "Thank you," holding a clipboard to conceal her face from a photographer.

Harding was served at 2525 K St. NW.

Subpoenas for the seven were authorized after they refused to cooperate with prehearing interviews being conducted by the committee.

Gildon and Harding have retained their own counsel. The International Brotherhood of Police Officers is representing the other five officers, Anne Kolego Markovich, Jack W. Maul, John W. Mahaney, Everett C. Obehein and Christopher Scrapper.

MICHAEL RISELLI, counsel for the Brotherhood, said they refused to testify because they are under no legal obligation to do so and that the union questioned whether the committee has authority "to conduct this kind of investigation."

However he said the union was not "insensitive to the desires of the committee, and cautious protection of employe rights should not be confused with blind opposition to a committee investigation."

"Towards that end, the union still has under advisement the possibility of having the officers cooperate with the committee, irrespective of whether the subpoenas go out or not," Riselli said. "We're still going to keep that option open."